## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

LORINDA BROWN,	)
Plaintiff,	) 4:09CV3066
V.	)
FRIEDMAN FAMILY LIMITED	) MEMORANDUM AND ORDER
PARTNERSHIP, A NEBRASKA	)
LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, BNS	)
PROPERTY I, LLC, A NEBRASKA	
LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY,	)
Defendants.	)

The plaintiff has filed a notice voluntarily dismissing defendant Friedman Family Limited Partnership, (filing no. <u>25</u>), and has filed a second amended complaint adding a new defendant, Sortino Asset Management Company, LLC, a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, (filing no. <u>23</u>).

Friedman Family Limited Partnership has not filed an answer or a motion for summary judgment, and therefore plaintiff's notice of dismissal serves to voluntarily dismiss this defendant without the need for a court order. Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a)(1(A)(i)).

However, the plaintiff did not seek leave to file a second amended complaint or to add a party as required under Rules 15(a)(2) and 21 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Therefore, the plaintiff's second amended complaint was improperly filed. Accordingly,

## IT IS ORDERED:

- 1) Defendant, Friedman Family Limited Partnership is dismissed pursuant to the plaintiff's notice of voluntary dismissal.
- 2) The plaintiff's second amended complaint, (filing no. <u>23</u>), is stricken without prejudice to re-filing with leave of the court upon a properly filed motion.
- The clerk shall not issue a summons for service upon Sortino Asset Management Company, LLC, a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, as requested by the plaintiff, (filing no. <u>24</u>), unless and until the court grants the plaintiff leave to amend her complaint to add this defendant.

DATED this 21st day of August, 2009.

BY THE COURT:

Richard G. Kopf United States District Judge